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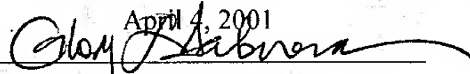
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Sir:

In response to Examiner Jiang's Restriction dated March 26, 2001, Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, Group 1, drawn to a method of treating or preventing cartilage damage with an antagonist to IL-17. With respect to the species election further defining the cartilage agent, Applicant hereby elects the IL-1 receptor antagonist (IL-1ra) species of the subgenus "catabolism antagonist" detailed as a Markush group in Claim 18.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this document to our Deposit Account No. 07-0630. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

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